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Residents fear noise from airport terminal expansion

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

The new Detroit Metropolitan Airport terminal that will be under construction by the end of this year promises to make traffic easier for travelers.

But residents and elected officials in Romulus aren't so sure the new terminal will be such a great thing when it comes to airport noise and the number of flights coming in and out of the world's seventh-largest airport.

Jon Hypnar, the manager of the new terminal for the Wayne County Airport Authority made a presentation to the Romulus City Council Monday night to update them on the status of activities at the airport. He said the new terminal would replace three old structures – the Smith and Davey terminals – and accommodate more carriers than in years past.

"Frontier (Airlines) will come on board," he said, adding that it's the first time the airline would enter the Michigan market. "We're really excited about what's happening."

Pointing to three massive renderings on an easel, Hypnar explained the series of events that would take place at the airport. First, the Davy terminal will be demolished this summer. The carriers in that terminal will shift to the

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Councilman William Wadsworth

McNamara Terminal for the duration of the construction, Hypnar said.

The new terminal will have 29 gates, less than the 33 gates that comprise the two older terminals. However, fewer gates do not necessarily mean fewer aircraft buzzing over the city. Because the terminal can accommodate new carriers like Frontier, Hypnar said there could be more flights overhead. He also said he expects that during the next two years, sustained travel will help restore the level of travel in the U.S. to pre-9/11 levels.

The new terminal might also bring back some jobs that were eliminated as a result of the sluggish economy and severely reduced air travel.

But some residents aren't so sure about the new terminal. Ed Berkowski, who serves as a citizen representative for the

city for the latest airport noise study, said he feels the airport is not taking into consideration the effect the new terminal will have on residents.

"A few weeks ago Scott Roberts was down here and told us we probably wouldn't get more noise, and now this guy was here telling us we're going to have noise again," he said. "What about the residents? What is the city going to do about this?"

City officials said they listened intently to Hypnar's presentation, but said they don't expect the airport will take the needs of city residents into consideration.

"They've been in here before, and we were just being polite during all of this," said Councilman William Wadsworth.

Councilman Charles Miller said some of the additional noise – if there is any – is to be expected.

"There's going to be noise that's all there is to it," he said. "That's one of the things you expect when you're an airport community. He added that the effect of having fewer gates at the new terminal than the old ones have combined could mean the differences will not be as noticeable.

Councilwoman Debbie Romak said she understands the

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4 arrested in robberies at Commons

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Staff Writer

Cynthia Harris admits she's a little scared.

That's because the Romulus resident – who moved here only a short time ago – has learned that a series of robberies has taken place at the Commons, the new subdivision she calls home, during the past month.

"I've heard that we've had these problems, and we weren't notified," she said. "You would think the police would notify us in case like this so we can look out for this sort of thing. We know they made an arrest, which is good, and we're considering forming a Neighborhood Watch."

But police say the four suspects arrested in connection with breaking into the eight homes live close to the area where the crimes have occurred. The suspects – all of whom are between the ages of 14 and 16 years old – allegedly stole thousands of dollars worth of jewelry, electronics, cash and other valuables from the unwitting victims.

Romulus Police Sgt. Dennis Felice said at least one of those arrested is also suspected in the May 3 robbery of 7-Eleven at Hannan and Ecorse Roads.

"Two officers observed one of the men near Knottingham

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A rite of summer

Avid Frisbee throwers cannot wait for summer to arrive so they can engage in their favorite sport. Students at Wick Elementary enjoyed the world-renowned Flying Aces who conducted an assembly at the school. During the presentations, students observed the fancy moves the Flying Aces are known for, and learned some strategies used to keep the bright yellow saucers in the air. Here, with Greg Nelson and Brian Hayes of the Flying Aces show off the Frisbees they gave away to students (left to right) Devon Peay, Ashley Alexander, Aujane Wiggins and Jacob Britt.

New facility will bring 20 jobs to community

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

Romulus City Council members approved a request Monday night from a local business owner to build a truck and trailer storage facility on Beverly Road near Middlebelt Road.

The new facility will bring about 20 new jobs to the community, according to Jim Moore, the assessor for Trailer Storage and Repair.

"We don't have a tenant yet, and the number of people that are hired and the types of jobs available are uncertain right now," he said. "But we think there will be some jobs for clerical people, mechanics, maintenance personnel and others."

The proposed plan calls for a 22,500-square-foot facility and parking lot that can store up to 209 vehicles and trailers. Industrial businesses – which surround the parcel of land on

which Trailer Storage and Repair owner William Pritula is building – often rent spaces from business owners like Pritula when they run out of space on their own land, or are prohibited from keeping industrial or businesses vehicles where their base of operations are, Moore said.

"There are a lot of businesses in the area who use our services at the other locations, and we

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Merriman Road to get face lift

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

Merriman Road, one of the longest and most-traveled thoroughfares in Romulus, is about to get a makeover.

But to make that happen, the city may designate Merriman Road as a special assessment district – one that would capture a portion of city property taxes and dedicate them to the enhancement of the business district along the road.

Tim Keyes, city economic development director said the new Merriman Enhancement Project will bring more residences and businesses to the street, which bodes well for the entire city.

"This is something that we can do to make sure that the maintenance is there on an ongoing basis," he said.

The proposed plan would bring improvements to a long stretch of road beginning at Interstate 94. The plan, when complete, could take the improvements as far as Ecorse Road. New landscaping is planned for both sides of the road along with a median, a pedestrian lighting system, and underground power distribution system and upgraded drainage.

Initial phases of the project will cost \$1.13 million. Those

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High school inducts 3 into Hall of Fame

Andrea King
Staff Writer

This weekend, three distinguished graduates will be inducted into the Belleville High School Hall of Fame.

The Van Buren Public School district will host the ceremony at 2 p.m. on Sunday in the school auditorium to coincide with the National Honor Society. This year the awards will go to Mildred Baker, class of 1944, Paul Dygert, class of 1950 and Larry Tabor, class of 1962.

The program, which began in 1998, was started to inspire high school students to continue education, show them that high school is worth completing and to honor the distinguished graduates, according to Paul Henning, spokesperson for the school district.

"We want to highlight their achievements and hold those achievements up to our students," he said. "That's one of the reasons why we coincide the event with the inductees for the National Honor Society, because we want them to hear their (graduates') stories and tips to become inspired."

This year, the steering and selection committees went through more than 15 applications to select the winners. Each qualified nominee must have graduated from Belleville High School prior to 1992, contributed to their chosen profession through performance and leadership, recognized success in their field of work and

contributed or volunteered time, effort, leadership and resources to benefit the Belleville area and other communities.

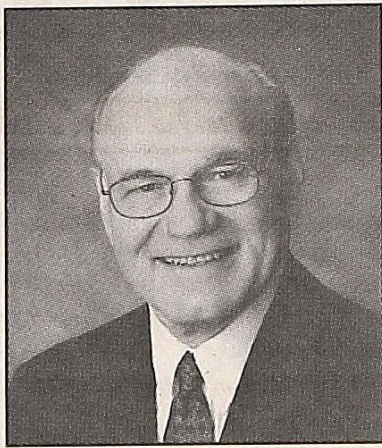
Baker, of Belleville, is a retired secretary from the Van Buren School District. After high school, she helped out by volunteering and heading up many activities in the Belleville area, including the 4-H Club for more than 20 years, the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society and the Salvation Army.

She also worked with her husband, Bob, at their hardware and electrical contracting business in Willis, as a manager and accountant.

Baker is also responsible for forming the group that plans the All Class Reunion for graduates. She is a member of the St. Paul's Evangelistic Church, a member and past-president of the Belleville Business and Professional Women's Club and a leader of the Young People's Society.

Dygert is a teacher of economics and business at the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. After high school, he pursued his bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Michigan. He received both his master's and PhD in economics from the University of Michigan.

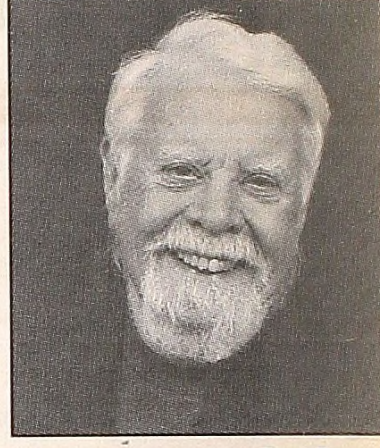
Dygert served two years in the army before receiving an academic and research job at the University of California. Once there, he worked with graduate



Larry Tabor



Mildred Baker



Paul Dygert

students in transportation and engineering, participated on the California governor's task force and worked with the World Bank on issues of airport investment in developing countries.

He has published a paper on the economic analysis of airport noise and was invited to participate in a conference organized by

as well as many others.

Dygert was named salutatorian and earned a varsity letter in tennis during his time at Belleville High School.

Tabor is a retired superintendent from the Van Buren Public School District. After high school, he obtained his bachelor's degree in mathematics from Eastern

He was the assistant principal at Belleville High School for 11 years before becoming principal. Ten years later, he was appointed director of curriculum for the district.

In 2000, Tabor was hired in as the superintendent of the schools where his three-year tenure was challenged by governmental issues and extensive budgetary concerns.

While in high school, Tabor was a member of the National Honor Society and on the student council. He also participated on the track and football team.

"The program has been very successful and I believe that everyone gets a lot out of it," said Henning. "We're always interested to hear about graduates who have done very well for themselves."

To nominate a candidate for the distinguished graduates award program, visit the school district website at www.resa.net/vanburen.

We want to highlight their achievements and hold those achievements up to our students.

Paul Henning

the office of science and technology in the executive office of the president during the Lyndon Johnson administration. Dygert has also had the opportunity to work on a number of projects in foreign countries including: Egypt, Taiwan, Indonesia and Trinidad

Michigan University. He then started working with the Van Buren Public Schools as a math teacher and coach.

In 1971, Tabor pursued his master's degree in mathematics and his educational specialists degree in educational leadership.

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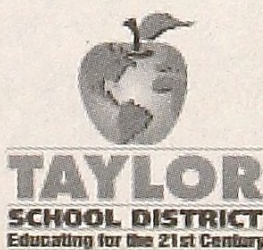
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City to be site of second, improved Wendy's restaurant

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

Residents of Romulus won't have to drive too far if they want a Frosty.

And they'll be able to pick one up at a premier Wendy's, which is only the fourth in the state so far, according to restaurant franchisee Doug Wellings of Saline.

Romulus City Council members approved the site plan for a second Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers Monday night. The 2,467-square-foot restaurant will open later this year on a parcel of land on the north side of Ecorse Road adjacent to 7-Eleven.

"The inside of the building looks more like a coffee house, or Panera Bread," Wellings

said. "There aren't many like this here. This is the top of the line restaurant, and the people at Wendy's helped me determine that this would be a good place for it."

Once open, the new restaurant will employ about 40 full- and part-time people, Wellings said. Construction will begin sometime this summer, he added.

Though the parcel is zoned for general commercial development, any business with a drive-through window has to apply for a special land use permit to move forward, said Cynthia Lyon, the city planner.

Council members generally were supportive of the plan. "I think it's a great place for Wendy's and I'm glad it's coming here," said Councilman

Leroy Burcroff. "I'll definitely be a customer there. Wendy's does a good job with their buildings (in terms of appearance), so I think it will be a good addition."

The plan was approved with conditions. Wendy's representatives will have to file a truck circulation plan with the city to ensure delivery trucks will not interfere with traffic in the area.

Building - Owner has 2 facilities

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think this would be a good location," he said.

Truck repairs and maintenance will also be performed on site, Moore said.

The 10-acre parcel of land is zoned for industrial transportation, but only if the applicant applies for a special land use permit. Pritula completed the process and the permit was approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals last month.

Pritula is a long-time businessman in Romulus. He opened his first vehicle storage facility on the property more than 40 years ago. He has two other facilities located on Beverly Road within walking distance of the proposed site.

City officials said they are glad the expansion of the facility will bring more jobs. But Councilwoman Debbie Romak expressed concern about how the noise will affect residential neighborhoods in the vicinity of the structure.

"Our research indicated that there will be no more noise by having the facility than is already created by other businesses in the area," said City Planner Cynthia Lyon.

Moore said that early concerns about the new facility causing backups on the heavily traveled Beverly Road were addressed early in the process and have been solved by adjusting way the building is situated on the land.

Street - Physical improvement a must

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funds will come from a grant from the State Department of Transportation and the city Tax Increment Financing Authority. The city accepted bids for the work and awarded the contract to the lowest bidder Monday night.

But ongoing maintenance of the improvements remains a concern - and that's the reason for the proposed special assessment district.

Mayor Alan Lambert said the city has had an ongoing dialogue with businesses on Merriman, and that it is necessary to guarantee the improvements will be maintained. Under the current state law, special assessment districts can be set up for 10 years.

Councilman William Crova said he's pleased that the city is looking at ways to improve the Merriman Road corridor over the long haul.

"This has been something that has been going on for years," he said. "I think we're all pleased at making this better for residents."

Merriman Road, which runs through the airport business district and beyond, is one of the largest city business districts. The city has, for several years, tried to find ways to improve the viability

of the district in the hopes of bringing new businesses and homes to the roadway.

For 2006, projections indicate it will take \$78,150 to maintain improvements made in 2005. Other than captured tax dollars, the city will share 10 percent of the estimated costs each year. Those funds, about \$7,800, will come from the general fund.

Keyes said creating the district is one way of maintaining the improvements without raising taxes. He also said money collected as part of the assessment district will be paid by the business owners, so it is fair to other taxpayers.

"They are paying for this anyway," he said. "This is just a way of guaranteeing that once the work is completed, it will be maintained."

Each year, the city council will have an opportunity to go out for bids for the work. A provision in the proposal also allows city council members to make decisions regarding the work if maintenance costs exceed 10 percent of the original cost.

Before the city can move forward with the plan, public hearings will take place at 6 p.m. prior to the June 6 and 27 council sessions.

Airport - Noise study is under way

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hardship placed on residents because of the continual flights above their homes and businesses.

"There have been times when I've sat here and wondered, 'What are we going to get for this?'" she said.

This year, the airport and the Federal Aviation Administration introduced a new Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study to study the effects of air travel on surrounding western Wayne County neighborhoods. The results of the study will be available sometime next year.



No bullies

Students at Wick Elementary School took on the problem of bullying in school by taking part in the No Bullying Program. The initiative is aimed at helping students understand the hurt caused to others when they are targeted for mistreatment. As part of the project, students were asked to create a poster for the program to enter into a contest. The winners, Bianca Buckley, Jeremy Horne and Nicole Wilson showed off their posters last week. Students Kendra Curlee and Nicky Smith are not pictured, but also won prizes for their posters.

Robberies

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Street of the robbery," he said. "It's still under investigation at this time. We did execute search warrants on the homes where some of the suspects lived, and we found several of the items that were reported stolen."

When arrested, that suspect had a sawed off shotgun on his person, Felice said.

All four of the suspects were charged with breaking and entering as juveniles at the 34th District Court last week. It is possible, however, that they could be charged as adults at Wayne County Circuit Court. In that case, they could face 15 years behind bars if convicted.

Mayor Alan Lambert, a former police officer, said he was sorry some of the residents were unaware of the robberies, but that police in all likelihood would not have a way to inform each resident of what was happening in the neighborhood.

"I don't know if they could do

that," he said. "But the police department responded to the incidents are taking appropriate measures, like increasing patrols in the neighborhood."

Councilman William Wadsworth said these kinds of incidents crop up from time to

year FBI statistics are available for the city - only 32 robberies occurred among the 23,000 residents for the entire year. But the number is increasing slightly. In 2002, there were only 28 proven robberies among 23,000 residents.

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time, but said he understands the outrage the residents feel when their homes are broken into.

"Only the lowest person would do such a thing," he said. "To break into someone else's home and violate them is a rotten thing to do, and I hope they are punished."

Eight robberies represent a spike in that category of crime for Romulus. In 2003 - the last

Felice said he's surprised at the brazenness of the young suspects.

"I was no angel when I was that age," he said. "But I never would have dreamed of doing anything like some of these kids do today."

Harris said the residents of the Commons will seek assistance from the police department to form a Neighborhood Watch group in the near future.

Clarification

The location of the 34th District Court was incorrect in editions of *The Belleville Enterprise* and *The Romulus Roman* last week. The court is located in Romulus, not Belleville. The Belleville Enterprise and The Romulus Roman apologize for any confusion and regret the error.

Cows come home

Student names newest member of Maybury Farm

Scott Spielman
Editor

Recently, the farm at Maybury State Park received a special donation - a full-blooded Guernsey cow, gifted by the McGuire family, who own and operate the Guernsey Farms Dairy in Novi.

Now, the cow has a name. The McGuires and the Northville Community Foundation, which is overseeing the efforts to bring back the farm at the state park, hosted a fundraiser last Saturday at the dairy. Part of the fundraiser, which gave the public an opportunity to tour the 65-year-old

company was a Name the Cow contest, which attract more than 1,000 potential names, according to Shari Peters, executive director of the Northville Community Foundation.

Sorting through the names proved too big a task for the foundation, alone.

"A call went out for help and the third graders from Tonda Elementary School in Canton answered the call," Peters said.

The students along with Peters and the McGuires decided the name Friday morning.

Tension ran high as Peters read off cow name after cow name - and then it was time to vote. The children ultimately

selected "Caramel on Crème," a name submitted by Vicki Schnur of Canton.

In the end, all of the students won something. After the vote, the McGuires announced they would send coupons for free ice cream to all the students who helped, which brought another cheer from the children.

It's been more than two years since the fire destroyed the two barns at Maybury State Park, killing nearly 50 animals, including horses, sheep, pigs and rabbits. But work has been under way to restore since then, and the farm will soon be re-opened.

She said that more than \$1 million has been generated to

return the farm and keep it going, although the bulk of that is through donations of supplies, animals or time.

Those projects are still ongoing, too. Donation programs include the buy a board, build a farm, sponsor a bench program, buy a brick and more.

For information on how to get involved, individuals, businesses and corporations can contact the foundation at (248) 374-0200. Donations can also be sent to the foundation at 18600 Northville Road, Suite 275, Northville, MI 48167.



Students from Laura Benedict's third grade class at Tonda Elementary School helped choose the winning name for the Guernsey cow donated to Maybury Farm by the McGuire family, owners of Guernsey Dairy, last week. With the students are John McGuire, Guernsey founder, and grandson, Marty McGuire.

Mail carriers sponsor local food drive

The National Association of Letter Carriers and the Plymouth Salvation Army will host a food drive this Saturday to benefit children with no lunch program and seniors who need assistance during the summer months.

Donors can leave their donations of non-perishables by their mailboxes, and mail carriers will pick them up while delivering mail. Food can also be dropped off at both Plymouth Post Office locations - on Beck in the township and Penniman in the city - before Saturday.

Items officials are looking for include macaroni and cheese, boxed rice and pasta, soup, instant potatoes and stuffing, cake mixes, popcorn, Bisquick, boxed potato mixes, oatmeal, crackers, peanut butter, jelly or jam, gelatin, instant pudding, powdered drinks, sugar and cereal.

While the food drive is actually a national event, the Plymouth mail carrier and Plymouth Salvation Army will team up to keep food in the Plymouth-Canton-Northville area served by the Salvation Army. Last year,

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OPINION

Once more, with feeling

Everyone is familiar with the adage: if at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

That's the philosophy officials in Plymouth Township tried only a week after a proposed millage renewal that would help fund the police and fire departments was surprisingly rejected by township voters.

They discussed their next move at their regular meeting Tuesday night, although they really only had one choice: ask the voters again.

The millage renewal and accompanying increase would have brought about \$3 million in funding to the public safety department. That's not the kind of money that the township could absorb, without a serious loss in services. That would mean a drastic reduction in the quality of life residents in Plymouth Township enjoy.

Township officials will have to be careful how they package the next request, though, and how they inform voters about it. Few things are more irritating to taxpayers than the impression that their government will immediately go back to the well if their first attempt is unsuccessful.

In truth, we were a little surprised that the first vote failed, as well. Millage renewals on their own are typically a near certainty. We endorsed the first one and most likely will get behind the next request because it's virtually impossible to put a price on public safety.

Our best advice in this case is to tread carefully and get the information out as completely as possible, something the township would most likely do, anyway.

Developer's departure no loss

Officials in Northville Township found out last week that they suddenly had more time to prepare for the development of a large parcel of land in their community.

The State of Michigan was once again unsuccessful in attempts to sell off the former site of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, a 420-acre parcel of rolling hills, gigantic trees and, apparently, old illegal dumping sites. The proposed developer, Bloomfield-based Real Estate Interests (REI), Inc., didn't meet the state deadlines to close on the property. In a written statement, they said it was too expensive to develop, given the \$55 million they would have paid for the land, the costs of cleaning up the contaminated portions of the site and the requirement to donate at least 40 acres to the township for community open space and a new elementary school.

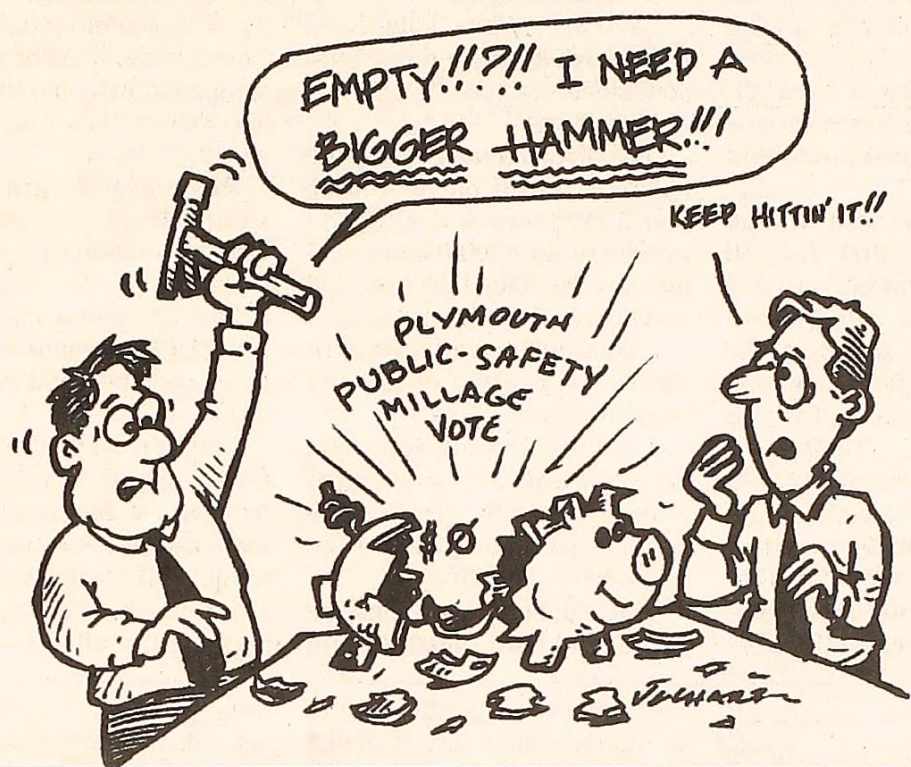
It's unlikely that anyone from the township will shed many tears over their departure. The plans they showed were far too dense for the liking of every one that looked at them and they showed some curious overall design features, such as a suggested placement of the proposed elementary school next to the Michigan State Police shooting range.

Needless to say, that would hardly work.

No, it's most likely back to the drawing board for the state; it could mean another round of bids, it could mean an auction, it could mean something else entirely.

For the township, though, it means more time to examine the plan. It means planners have more information about the difficulties with the site. It provides a better overall picture of what should happen there. It could provide more time to declare the site a Brownfield Redevelopment District, a process they started last month when they enacted a Brownfield Redevelopment ordinance and appointed a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Given the fact that the site is "replete with contamination," as alleged in the statement sent out by REI, that's probably the only way the land can be affordably devel-

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The 'parental involvement plan'

The Wayne-Westland Community School District is really on to something with the Parents and Learners, Side by Side (PALS) program.

They started it last year at the elementary school level and highlighted some of its successes Monday night.

It basically involves parents helping out with writing exercises for kindergarten, first and second graders. There are a lot of benefits to it: it helps out the teachers, it helps out the students, it gets parents involved in education and lets them see something that I've been saying for a while now: there are good things happening in the schools.

You can't overlook parental involvement, either. It doesn't matter how good a school system is, children will get a better education if their parents take an interest and get involved. That's what I liked most about the program.

With the whole parental involvement in mind, I'd like to propose a way of dealing with another societal problem: obesity.

You hear about it all the time; kids aren't as active any more, Michigan residents are among the most obese in the nation, etc. Fad diets are everywhere.

So let's start something new. We'll call it the Parental Involvement Plan (PIP). Follow my lead.

OK, I work a lot, but when I do get home I enjoy spending time with my 4-year-old son, Henry. Anyone on my block is familiar with the sight of me running behind him as he rides down to Attwood Park. I'm not chasing him, I'm just trying to keep up. I'm not growling, either. Those are pants. Heavy pants. I never was much of a runner.

That's where the program starts. Take your kids

down to the park; encourage them to indulge their need for speed and try to keep up as best you can. It's hard at first, but it'll get easier.

Once at the park, there are a variety of other exercises to do, too. Attwood Park has a very popular tire swing. Position yourself in front of it, your child inside — along with whatever playmates he can come up with and start pushing. Remember, the swing can fit up to three little ones, and you get a better work out pushing three toddlers than one.

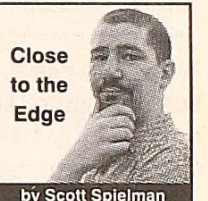
Start on one side and use only your left arm. When you get tired, switch to the other side and push with your right. Repeat as necessary. It's good for the triceps and the pectorals.

There are regular swings, too, and they work well. First stand on the right side of the swing, pushing with your left arm, then on the left side, pushing with your right. Watch out for the feet.

Follow that up with any other activity you can think of; alternate between climbing up the stairs and the rubber-coated chain to get to the top of the playscape. Sitting on the benches and talking on your cell phone is allowed, but it's not as much fun.

After a suitable amount of time (you and perhaps your physician can tell you what that is), prepare for the journey home. My neighbors are familiar with that sight, too: Henry tends to get a little further ahead on the way back.

Following this regimen will help keep you in shape; it will keep you close to your kids and it will show them that exercise is important — and they are, too. It works in the school district. There's no reason it can't work during leisure time, too.



Close to the Edge

by Scott Spielman

And just who is speaking for you?

For those who may have forgotten, last week the matter of school board elections came before voters.

Some people may have turned out to vote feeling confident that that they knew which candidate would be the best for the children in their community. Others may have been motivated by a vague—but pressing—need to 'do their civic duty.' Still others probably found reasons to stay home—because they forgot, because they didn't know anything about the candidates, because it wasn't really a contest, because they don't have children in the district, because they had better things to do, or because they trust their neighbors to elect the correct candidate.

The scary part, though, is that voting in elections may be the most politically involved many residents get—and it's not an issue limited to the school board. Week after week and month after month, my job takes me into the council chambers and board meeting rooms as elected officials decide for better

or for worse what's going to happen within their jurisdiction, and as often as not only a handful of residents are in attendance. Sadly, it's not unusual to see no one in the audience except reporters.

Even this wouldn't be a problem in a community reminiscent of television's Mayberry, where real problems simply don't exist and everyone agrees. In reality, though, differing opinions do exist—they're heard over cups of coffee, in the line of the grocery store, and in the bleachers at Little League games. So why is it, then, that so often these voices—and opinions—are heard by everyone, it seems, except the officials who could potentially do something about it?

Whatever motivates people to praise or criticize also needs to motivate them to speak up, speak out, and let their voice be heard—this is important—



Looking around

by Meghan Chatham

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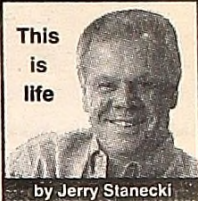
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Time to hang up all cell phones on planes



"Hello, HELLO. You're breaking up," the woman was shouting into the cell phone. WHAT? Yes, I can hear you. You're kidding."

I jerked into a straight upright position like someone snapped my you-know-what with a wet towel.

"No, I told you no, I will not allow you to do that. Do you understand, Travis?" It was another woman, an irritated irritating woman sounding like she was talking to a child, she was getting louder. "Do you HEAR ME? ONE...TWO..."

Good God almighty, we'd been in the air for an hour, an hour of constant, aggravating, incessant cell babble. "What are you wearing?" the sloppy fat man across the aisle

sweating profusely said into his cell phone.

No it couldn't be. "You are? Whoa, baby. Now, tell me what you're doing with your right—"

Ugh, it was.

The dirty old man across the aisle was having phone—well, you know, smack dab in the middle of an A300 commercial airliner. His face was beet red and he was, I swear, wheezing,

I pushed my earplugs in tighter as a wave of nausea swept over me.

I was just about asleep when an elbow hits me in the side. The woman next me unwrapped a giant size Snickers.

The smell of onions filled the plane, and chili, mustard and

catsup. Behind me a guy is eating three Coneys' jammed full of raw onion to the point that you can't see the actual hotdogs. There was mustard and chili dripping down onto the front of his T-shirt that said, "Life's a wiener."

The coup-de-grace came when the woman next to me snapped open a can of sardines soaked in oil.

The odiferous smorgasbord was gagging me and for the first time ever, I reached for the barf bag.

Part of what you've just read, is indeed part of today's reality in air travel. Jammed into seats, loaded like cattle in a boxcar, we now have to endure the stink of a half a dozen foods because the airline wanted to

save money and stopped serving food. The airlines neglected to say that the cost of that food had been included in your ticket.

Now, it's less service, more stench.

Adding insult to injury, the misguided Federal Communications Commission is unbelievably considering allowing people to use cell phones while the planes are in flight. Part of this column gave you an idea of the nightmare of noise.

Let's face it. We are not a considerate, polite society. Generally, we do not consider others when it comes to talking on a cell phone. It's like we want to share with the world how important our conversations are no matter how rude it

is. Please, fight the idiosyncrasy of allowing loud cell phone use in the little quiet air travel that remains.

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Vote

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before the matter is decided, and before a minor situation has the opportunity to develop into a serious and divisive problem.

Even if they can't make the meetings, residents can read the minutes, read the newspaper, scan the community website for

news, or even pay attention to televised meetings instead of flipping immediately past them. Communicating an opinion should be just as easy. A simple phone call, letter, or email with logical objections, fact-based reasoning, and realistic alternative solutions to whatever the problem might be can have a lot more impact than screams, tears, and purely emotional pleas.

Then again, residents also

have the right to continue to voice their concerns and present their solutions only to friends, hairdressers, and bartenders—or to no one at all, if they so please. It's their prerogative to remain totally disassociated from whatever happens in their community.

Still, residents who don't speak for themselves might want to ask themselves who is speaking on their behalf—and what they're saying.

Land

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oped.

The site eventually will be developed, too. There's no question about that; someone will

come along with the wherewithal and the ambition to get it done.

It's our hope that, whatever the next step will be, that officials at the state remain true to their original premise of having the developer work with the township to create something that is beneficial to all. The 40-

acre donation—which REI called one of the deal-breakers—should definitely stay.

That land is needed to best serve the township and the school district—and the residents, too.

Letters

Residents hope to save Penn

To the editor:

We need the community's help. Our precious Penn Theater is being threatened by a church. Now, we are not in any way against churches, however there is a place for them and it is not our historic Penn. This community needs to really pull together at this exact time, before the lease expires in June, and do something. If not, we will just plain lose our theater and we will lose Plymouth.

Don't you think that we have lost enough of Plymouth, already? Now we have Starbucks and Subway and more stores like that will be coming in. Where is

our quaint, precious town going to?

Here is a group, finally, The Friends of the Penn, working feverishly, creatively, intelligently, unselfishly to save this theater. But it will not be enough if the community does not come to bat for them, for the Penn, for our downtown, for our family recreation, for the great ambience the theater gives to Kellogg Park, just for the very life of our town.

Please, community...Help.

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Art Feast

Plymouth hosts art and food event

Jason Carmel Davis
Staff Writer

This weekend, the Plymouth Community will be flooded with artists touting their works.

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth Community Arts Council will try out their newest event: "Art Feast."

The festival begins tomorrow and ends on Sunday. The newest Plymouth event brings a variety of artists inside the city to show off their work. The artists will display and explain their work to those who attend. The weekend Art Feast begins tomorrow evening with performing musicians on the street serenading those who stroll the 30 establishments hosting live artists. Local restaurants will supply appetizers.

The new Glassworks studio will be open, as will be the Plymouth Community Arts Council gallery and the Village Potters Guild.

With the involvement of restaurants and specialty eateries, an array of samplings will be added incentive to draw the curious to numerous participating locations, organizers said.

Stella Greene, director of the Arts Council, said the weekend festivities will please art lovers.

"If you are seeking fine art or just seeking to add a unique artistic flair to your home or wardrobe, this weekend will meet your needs," she said.

Many communities tout an "Art Walk", but Plymouth has the ambiance and the artistic reservoir to meet the challenge, Greene said.

"If you have already discovered the charms of Plymouth, these three days are the time to return," she said. "If you have never experienced Plymouth, you are in for a treat. Feast your senses. Plymouth knows you will leave satisfied."

The event continues from 6-9 p.m. tomorrow, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Kiwanis Club to host 'dog jog'

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth will sponsor the annual Plymouth Dog Jog at 1 p.m. this Saturday, originating from Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

Participants can help by getting pledges from family members, friends, neighbors and co-workers. The registration fee is \$30 the day of the event.

Contests are conducted in three age groups for both males and females, along

with prizes for Best Costume, Longest Tail and Best Look-Alike. Grand prizes will go to joggers with the three highest pledge amounts.

All joggers/walkers get a T-shirt. Registration starts at noon, with the walk beginning at 1 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Michigan Humane Society and the Kiwanis Club of Plymouth.

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SPORTS

Mustangs wrap up division, tie Salem

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

Every season there's always one team that gels together at the right time; where all of the little pieces fall into place, all the planets line up in the proper order and the sun shines down on them.

That team is the Northville varsity soccer club.

And the time is now.

In the last five games they have scored 27 goals and allowed only three. In the last eight they've outscored their opponents 42-5.

"I guess we've solved our defensive dilemmas we had," said Northville Coach Ron Meteyer.

Guess?

He attributes the solidified defense to a strong group of core players—senior Brooke Richard, juniors Simone Toney and Kate Hawthorne and sophomore Kristen Slack.

Their latest effort earned

them a tie against rival Salem High School on Monday night in Canton.

The Lady 'Stangs took a first-half lead, 2-0, but Salem bounced back in the second and evened things up with less than 30 minutes left. Andrea Gasparato and Tera Duncan scored the goals for Salem.

"We did not play all that well," Meteyer said. "I can't use that as an excuse, because Salem really played their hearts out—they had a great second half. I think our girls got a 2-0 lead and underestimated them and let it get away from us."

Danielle Toney opened the scoring at the 29:21 mark of the first half. Lindsey Blair and Amy Cauzillo earned the assists. Then Lauren Hill made it 2-0 with an assist from Toney.

Northville will host a tough Troy Athens team at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Northville 7, Plymouth 0

The 'Stangs wrapped up the division with a 7-0 victory at



Danielle Toney (14) makes her way around a Plymouth defender last Wednesday in Northville's 7-0 victory. The Mustangs went on to tie Salem, 2-2, on Monday night.

home against Plymouth High School last Wednesday.

Plymouth defended well against Northville's quick forwards—Danielle Toney, Hill and Jen Kritch—in the first half, holding them to just one goal on 10 shots. But in the end the Mustangs' power and speed was too much for the Wildcats to handle.

The dynamic duo of Hill and

Toney combined to score the first goal that actually ended up the winning goal at the 11:13 mark of the first half. Toney accepted a pass from Hill on the left side and then the speedster raced up field. The goalie challenged her but missed the ball and allowed Toney to knock in the tally.

It remained 1-0 at halftime but Northville charged out of the gates in the second for six more

scores.

For the second goal, with about 26:25 left in the game, Lindsey Blair passed the ball up the left side to Hill. She one-timed it to Toney, who knocked it in for the 2-0 game.

Hill made it a 3-0 game about 2:30 later when she headed the ball in off of a bobbled stop by the

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Salem tops Glenn

The lady Rocks finished off the Lady Rockets, 10-0, in six innings on Monday. Melissa Laech pitched a one-hitter for the win. From the plate Kait McKinley went 3-for-4 with a triple and two singles and an RBI. Ali Proodian had a nice day from the plate, too. She went 2-for-4 with two singles and scored three times. Amy Caves and Katie Downey each had two doubles. The win improved the Rocks to 13-8 overall (3-4 in division, 5-6 in league). Salem won two out of three games at the invitational tournament they hosted on Saturday. They started with a 2-4 loss against Farmington but rallied back with two shutouts against Redford Union (11-0) and Ann Arbor Pioneer (7-0). Leach pitched a three-hitter against Redford and Crystal Rohn pitched a one-hitter against Pioneer. McKinley went 3-for-3 with a two-run double and two singles against Redford. Sniegowski came out swinging against Pioneer and went 3-for-4. Losing their first game knocked them out of contention to win the tourney. Flat Rock ended up the champion.



Zebra baseball trounces Salem, Canton

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

Wayne Memorial baseball defeated two tough opponents last week to improve their overall record to 11-4 as they started the second half of the season.

Most recently, they defeated the Chiefs, 8-0, in Canton.

The Zebras recorded the eight runs on eight hits with no errors.

They went on a three-run tear in the first inning for a comfy lead. Then it was a pitching battle through the fifth inning. Canton's Sean Little allowed two more runs in the top of the sixth and was replaced by Matt Hemmelgarn, who allowed three more runs with two hits, three walks and one strikeout.

Little allowed six hits, five walks and two strikeouts.

David Clendenning, one of the top emerging pitchers in the league, tossed a two-hitter with eight strikeouts and only one walk in the win for Wayne. He also went 1-for-3 from the plate.

Senior shortstop Dan Walsh went 2-for-4 with two doubles, one RBI and scored twice while left-fielder Justin Scholfield went 1-for-2 with an RBI and one run scored. Second baseman Justin Collop was 1-for-3 with an RBI and a run scored and centerfielder Earl Martin went 1-for-4 with an RBI and a run scored.

Wayne Coach Tom Wakefield had said earlier in the season that pitching was the strength of the team. It shined last week.

"David Clendenning threw a gem against Canton and Andrew Kaleto threw very well against Salem," Wakefield said. "Canton was the leader of our division at 3-1. We are now 2-2 in the division."

Kaleto threw a seven-hitter in an 8-2 victory against Salem at home last Wednesday.

He gave up both of Salem's runs in the fifth inning and was replaced by Kevin Herrington for the final two frames. Herrington finished the game without giving up a hit and struck out one batter.

Wayne shot ahead again with four runs in the first two innings and then added four more in the fourth to technically put the game away.

Clendenning went 2-for-4, including a triple, with two RBI and two runs scored. Collop went 2-for-3 with a triple, one RBI and two runs scored. Martin had two hits—both doubles—and knocked in one run and scored twice while Jamnick went 1-for-3 with two RBI.

The red-hot Zebras will host Walled Lake Western tomorrow at 4 p.m. before they head to Trenton for a doubleheader starting at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

"We have a lot of games this week and need to the guys to stay focused and stay competitive in the division," Wakefield said. "This week is definitely the crossroads week in our division—we have four division games."

Whalers shore up defense in draft

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

For a team that has assessed youth as the cause for mediocre seasons during the last two years, the Plymouth Whalers appeared to get a whole lot younger with seven picks in the top 100 in the 2005 Ontario Hockey League (OHL) Priority Selection Draft on Saturday.

The Whalers selected 15-year-old Nick Petrecki who was probably the top defenseman—if not the best player—in the draft as their first round selection (ninth overall).

Petrecki may be young, but he should definitely be a presence on the ice. The youngster stands at 6-foot-2, without skates, and weighs in at 190 pounds—at age 15. He scored seven goals with 12 assists for 19 points and 117 penalty minutes in 45 games for the Capital District Selects College Development Juniors last season.

Right now he is being compared to Ed Jovanovski, a one-time first round pick of the Windsor Spitfires in 1993.

"He might be better," said Jim Debenham, Plymouth's director of scouting. "He's not as tough as

Jovanovski was, but he'll definitely lay the body on people and is very, very strong offensively."

There is a question on whether or not Petrecki will play for the OHL, though—he may go the United States college route.

"It's a gamble on our part," said Mike Vellucci, Plymouth's president, general manager and head coach. "He has said he's not going to report in the first year and will consider reporting the second year."

"He's the best player in the draft, no doubt about it," he

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Soccer

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keeper, according to Meteyer. Toney completed a hat trick when she batted in a deflected shot by Hill to make it 4-0. Hill tallied her second of the night with help from Simone Toney for

a 5-0 lead.

Kritch got on the board with back-to-back goals in the final 5:30 of the game. First, she shot one in to the upper right-hand corner and then, with just more than three minutes left, she dribbled the ball past five defending players and fired a shot to the left post for the final score.

Sophomore Liz Watza record-

ed the shutout—her second of the season.

Northville 6, Saginaw Heritage 1

Northville finished out the week with a 6-1 victory against a usually tough Saginaw Heritage team on Saturday.

"They usually play well in their league and in conference and usually win their districts to go to the regional tournament,"

said Meteyer. "They won the state championship three years ago. This was our third time playing them so we had a pretty good feeling of what they could do.

"We knew they were going to use an offside trap," he added. "Our forwards were too fast for it."

The speedy Hill proved it as she led the team with three goals

and two assists. Toney offered two goals and two assists and Kritch opened the game with a score in the first two minutes of the game. Simone Toney and Richard also recorded assists.

Freshman Julie Blaszcak played the first three quarters of the game in net and allowed Saginaw's lone goal. Watza finished up the final 20 minutes.

Whalers

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added. "He was the top player on every draft list you saw. He's 6-foot-2, a great skater, physical—a sure NHL-pick.

"My thinking is I have two second-rounders who will play right away if Petrecki doesn't report this year and, with a young team, there won't be a lot of wholes to fill in the future."

The Whalers went for offense with their two second-round picks. First they picked up center Chris Terry (29th overall) from the Markham Islanders minor midgets, where he scored 47 goals with 57 assists for 104 points and 115 penalty minutes in 68 games in the 2004-05 season.

The hope is that Terry's offensive prowess and tenacity will benefit the Whalers immediately.

"He plays a lot like Cory Tanaka," Debenham said. "He competes hard. He's got good hands and (in time) he'll be hated by the rest of the league."

"He's a real offensive player that can score," Vellucci added. "But what I like about him is that he had 115 penalty minutes last year. They say he's a Ken Linseman-type with skill. He can get under your skin and score."

Eight picks later they added left-winger Joe Gaynor from Stratford. Gaynor recorded 13 points—three goals and 10 assists—for Stratford with 49 penalty minutes in 44 games.

He won't be flashy offensively but he is a solid defensive forward who can skate, according to Debenham.

"He's a big kid—6-foot-3—and skates really well," Vellucci said. "He only had three goals as a 15-year-old, but he's a great open-ice hitter, works the boards really

well. We feel he'll develop in time at this level."

Center Chad Beal was chosen in the third round (49th overall) from the Wexford Raiders minor midgets. He scored 23 goals with 35 assists and 172 penalty minutes in 49 games last year.

"Beal is a big centerman," Vellucci said. "He gives us some size and makes it easier for us to go into tough build-

PLYMOUTH WHALERS 2005 DRAFT LIST

#	PLAYER	POS	TEAM
1	9	Nick Petrecki	LD Capital District Development
2	29	Chris Terry	LC Markham Islanders MM
2	37	Joe Gaynor	LW Stratford Jr. B
3	49	Chad Beal	LC Wexford Raiders MM
4	64	Jeremy Smith	G Det. Belle Tire 89's
4	69	Leo Jenner	LD Elgin-Middlesex Chiefs MM
5	99	C.J. Severyn	LC Pittsburgh Hornets MM
6	109	Ryan Hayes	RW Syracuse Jr. A
8	149	Anthony Hayes	RW Compuware 89's
9	165	Kyle Jendra	G Chicago Chill Midget
10	189	Vincent Loverde	RD Chicago Uoung Amer. U-16
11	209	Frank Grzeszczak	RD Det. Honeybaked Midget
12	229	Kaine Geldart	RW Kingston Voyageurs Jr. A
13	249	Brett Valiquette	LW Markham Waxers MM
14	269	Trevor Nill	RC Compuware 89's
15	289	John Chayka	LC St. Catherines Sabres MM

ings like Windsor and Sault Ste. Marie."

Plymouth shored up the defense more with the acquisition of local goaltender Jeremy Smith with their fourth-round pick (64th overall). Smith posted a 2.44 goals against average and three shutouts in 39 games last season for the Belle Tire minor midgets.

"I'm real excited about being drafted by Plymouth," Smith said. "I'm a butterfly-style goaltender and use my size to cover up the net."

Smith may have to wait his turn on the ice while he sits behind the solid goalie tandem of Ryan Nie and Justin Garay

"He's one of the best goaltenders in the United States," Denbenham said. "Every time we watched him, he was outstanding."

The Whalers also selected a pretty good offensive defenseman in Leo Jenner with their second fourth-round pick (69th overall). He scored 10 goals and 10 assists in 63 games last with the Elgin-Middlesex Chiefs minor midgets.

For the 99th pick in the fifth round Plymouth added center C.J. Severyn to the team. He played with the Pittsburgh Hornets midgets and scored 27 goals with 44 assists and 193 penalty minutes in 65 games last season.

"From what I've seen, he's one of the best forwards in the United States in his age group," Debenham said. "He's an unbelievable skater. If he's on top of you, he'd skate through you rather than go around you, but he has the speed to go around you. He's got good size and good hands."

Later in the draft, the Whalers took center Trevor Nill in the 14th round (269th overall) from the Compuware 89's. Nill is the son of Detroit Red Wings assistant general manager Jim Nill.

Plymouth fans will get a chance to see many of the newest Whalers at the team's 2005 Rookie Camp on May 21-22 at the Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth Township. The public will be invited to attend the scrimmages at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 21 and at 9 a.m. on Sunday, May 22.



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Pros struggles continue, losing streak hits four

Jason Carmel Davis
Staff Writer

In two road tilts last weekend with the top teams in the International Basketball League, the Detroit Pros put in two solid performances. What they failed to do was put a victory in the win column.

The weekend started with the Pros (3-5) hanging with the Grand Rapids Flight before suffering a 135-131 setback.

One of the top teams in the league, the Flight (8-2) survived an 80 point first half by the Pros, including 26 points from Albert White. In the second half, the Flight "held" the Pros to 51 points.

That second half drop-off may have been a result of Detroit's short bench. Only eight guys made the trip to Grand Rapids.

"We kind of ran out of energy in the second half," said Pros Owner Darryl Greene. "In the first half, we were able to play with lots of energy and we executed, but we couldn't execute down the stretch."

Detroit may have been drained after that shootout, but they hit the court on Saturday night looking to end a three-game skid against the best team in the league.

Once again, the Pros fought to the final buzzer, but Detroit fell to the top-ranked—and undefeated—Battle Creek Knights, 121-110. At one point, the Pros fell behind by as much as 25. Detroit battled back to cut into the deficit, but it was too deep of a hole to climb out of.

The Pros were led by Mike Manciel, who poured in 31 points, while Aaron Bates netted 29. Leading scorers for Battle

Creek were Mike Williams with 23 points and Ben Reed with 20. The Knights ran their unblemished record to 9-0, and handed Detroit its fourth consecutive loss in the process.

Greene said he is all set to suit up when the Pros tip off against Grand Rapids and Peoria this weekend. He also said the team still has time to make a run at the playoffs.

"We're beginning to come together as a team," he said. "We're starting to put in better efforts. Before, we underestimated the

talent pool of this league, but I think we see there are some good teams, and we think we can become one of those good teams, too."

Detroit is at home for two contests this weekend. The Pros look to pick up their first win in three tries when they take on the Flight at 7 p.m. Saturday at Inkster High School. Detroit won't have much rest after that match-up, as the Pros take on Peoria at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at the Inkster Recreation Complex.

Clarification

In the Northville vs. Franklin girls' varsity soccer game on Monday, April 25 it was actually Franklin's Kristine Ostrosky that scored the goal in the first minute of the game. It was Ostrosky's first goal of the season. Meghan Horgen assisted on the play.

Tigers fall to Lincoln Park, 5-1

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

For the first half of the season Belleville's varsity baseball coach Chris Dessellier has said his team is a second-half team.

This week he has a chance to prove it when they start round two against Mega Red division foes.

It didn't work out so well for the Tigers when they faced off against the Railsplitters in Lincoln Park on Monday. Belleville lost the game, 5-1.

"We didn't play as well as we have been," said Dessellier. "We just weren't hitting the ball. It's a tough loss. It's very frustrating, but I guess we just have to keep plugging away."

The first half of the season ended on a

sour note when he and his Tigers fell to the Taylor Truman Cougars, 6-0, last Wednesday on the road. The loss knocked them down to 7-14-1 on the season.

Belleville only mustered up three hits from Phillip Sullens, Jeff Price and Jeff Jablonski in the outing. The team committed four errors. Kevin Putnam recorded the loss from the mound.

"We just have to regroup and get ready for the second half of the season and get back on track," he added. "That's all we can do and hope to carry it in to districts."

He and the Tigers faced a similar situation last year, ending the season 5-18, but they went to districts and were one game away from the championship.

Belleville faces Southgate next Wednesday on their home field.

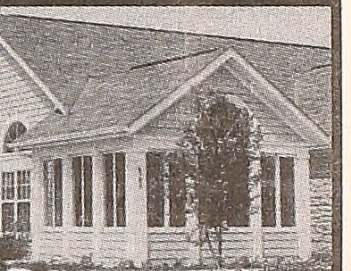
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD APRIL 25, 2005 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ROMULUS CITY HALL, 11111 S. WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MICHIGAN 48174.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Debbie Romak.

Present: LeRoy Burcroff, William Crova, Michael Prybyla, Debbie Romak, William Wadsworth.

Excused: Randolph Gear and Charles Miller

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Alan Lambert, Mayor

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

Pamela Morrison-Kersey, CMFA, Treasurer

1. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-136

2. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held April 25, 2005.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-137

3A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and the request of the petitioner, Metro Airport Center, PC-2004-029 and introduce an amendment to the Official Zoning Map by designating 73.04 acres of land between Goddard Road and Grant and Vining Road and Wayne Roads, as a Planned Development Area:

Parcels 82-80-082-04-001-000, 82-80-082-04-0002-000, 82-80-082-04-0003, 8080-082-04-0004-000, 82-80-082-04-0005-0000, 82-80-082-04-0006-0000, 82-80-08204-0007-000, 82-80-082-04-0008-000, 82-80-082-04-0009-000, 82-80-082-04-00100000, 80-82-082-04-0011-000, 82-80-082-04-0012-000, 82-80-082-04-0013-000, 8082-082-04-0014-000, 82-80-082-04-0015-000, 82-80-082-04-0016-000, 82-80082-04-0017-000, conditioned upon two outstanding items (signage and access) in the review letter of Planning Consultant, Langworthy Strader LeBlanc and Associates, Inc. letter dated April 15, 2005 and Engineering Consultant, Orchard Hiltz & McCliment, letter dated April 13, 2005.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-138

3B. Motion by Crova, supported by Prybyla to concur with the recommendation of Romulus Police Department and approve 500 shares of stock in an existing 2004 Class C - SDM licensed business, (Merriman Street Grill), located at 7660 Merriman Road, Romulus, Michigan, 48174 from Zacharias Sofikitis and by adding Costas J. Cardasis as new stockholder; reference #280880.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-139

3C. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to concur with the recommendation of the Romulus Police Department and grant approval to transfer a 2004 SDM (Beer and Wine) licensed business, R.J.'s Party Store at 9899 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, 48174, from Ray Swidan to Mohinder Janjua, reference #281029

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3D. No Action Taken.

05-140

4A1. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Kathy Coate.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-141

4A2. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Shirley Pecsénye.

Roll Call vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-142

4A3. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Ellen Koester.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-143

4A4. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to adopt a resolution of recognition to Frank Rigger for his years of dedicated service as Leader/ Director of the Boys & Girls Club at Wick and Merriman Schools.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to accept the Chairman's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff,, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-144

5A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to concur with Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway and Cable Director, Roger Kadau and award Bid 04/05-19 to Tel Systems, Thalner Electronic Laboratories, Inc., in the amount of \$45,045.90.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-145

5B. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to concur with Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway and IT Coordinator, Sharon Raftary and award the hardware/software and network/computer maintenance portion of Bid 04/05-22 to Infoview Systems, Inc.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-146

5C. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to concur with Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway and D.P.W. Director, Carl Brooks and award Bid 04/05-23 Underbody Scrapper to the lowest bidder, Valk Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$13,475.00.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-147

5D. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to concur with the request of Public Safety Director Charles Kirby and grant authorization to purchase the additional software to work in conjunction with the Computerized Livescan Fingerprint Computer and Digital Computerized Mug Shot Camera.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-148

5E. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the Benefit Committee and retain the McGraw Wentworth Organization to serve as the City of Romulus Benefit Agent.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-149

5F. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to concur with the Human Resource Director, Sandra Rivers and adopt the amendment to Policy # 13 - Municipal Vehicle Use allowing for a maximum of six points on an employee's driving record; having no effect upon current liability insurance coverage.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-150

5G. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to concur with the Human Resource Director, Sandra Rivers, and adopt the amendment to Policy #28 - Military Leave to allow for the accrual of vacation, sick time or personal business days to part-time, full-time and seasonal employees, retroactive to December 2003.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-151

6A1. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to schedule a public hearing May 23, at 6:00 p.m. on Demolition List 05-01 to be held in the City Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, 48174.

05-152

6A2. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff concur with City Assessor, Julie Albert and grant authorization to the previous owner of lots 80 and 81 Supervisors Romulus Plat Number 6, to redeem those two lots in the amount of \$4,781.18. Parcel numbers 80-017-01-0080-000 and 80-017-01-0081-000.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-153

6A3. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to schedule a Study Session on the proposed review, update and re-certification of the City of Romulus Zoning Map on Monday, May 9, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, 48174.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-154

6A4. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to concur with the Property Disposition Committee and authorize a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select a residential developer for a 32 acre property on Eureka Road between Middlebelt and Harrison, south of Fire Station #4.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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Thespians sought for new group

The Sumpter Coalition Addressing Neighborhood Needs (SCANN) is launching "Adventures in Community Theatre," a new performing arts theatrical group, and participants are being sought.

The theatre will offer a wide variety of arts and cultural opportunities, as well as the opportunity for students to work with professional actors, directors, choreographers and technicians to learn the major elements of participating and producing a community theatre production. These experiences may also serve as a springboard for the development of a musical or performing arts vocation/career, according to Jewel Butler, grant developer.

The adventure in music concept is to make music education accessible to all members of the population. Students of all ages and levels will have private lessons with music instructors, access to professional musicians and performance opportunities in brass, woodwinds, drums, percussion, guitar, piano, strings and vocal training.

Adventures in the performing arts will focus on the development of basic acting and performance skills including dance and puppet theatre performance.

The group is looking for students, youth ages 8 to 17 years old and adults to participate in this adventure. The primary target population is low to moderate-income individuals located in the Sumpter, Belleville and Van Buren areas, however, all are welcome. The group is also seeking instructors skilled in the areas mentioned.

For more information, or to join the new group, contact Butler at 734-461-0196.

Blessed birthday

The St. Anthony's Academy in Belleville recently celebrated their 50th birthday with a special mass and a dinner and dance anniversary party that followed. In part of celebrating 50 years of Catholic education, attendees enjoyed good food, music and a trip down memory lane as they looked at pictures from the eighth grade graduating class of 1955. After a big dinner and a whole lot of dancing, school principal Stephanie Tozer cut the cake in hopes that the academy will be able to provide another 50 years of educational service to the Belleville community.



OBITUARIES

LAPORTE, Paul

Paul B. LaPorte, Sr., 60, of Atlanta, Mich., formerly of Belleville, died May 3.

Among his survivors are his wife of 19 years, JoAnne (Mrozek) LaPorte; children, Paul (Jody) LaPorte, Jr., of Harrison, Laura Plonte of Belleville, Tina (Burl) Hays of Monroe, Kevin Kokula of Dexter, Michael (Teresa) LaPorte of Willis, Gary Stewart of Trenton and John (Lynette) Stewart of Cheboygan, Mich; his father and mother-in-law, Dorothy and Paul Mrozek of Trenton; siblings, Patricia (Jarrell) Bevins of Taylor, Francis Corbin, Sharon (Jerry) Zander and Nancy Summers, all of Belleville, Jim (Karen) LaPorte of Westland, Sandy (Larry) Southern of Wayne and Pam (Robert) Ayers of Romulus; sisters-in-law Jane, Virginia and Sharon, and 14 grandchildren.

Mr. LaPorte was a member of the Belleville Eagles 3996, the Belleville Moose Lodge 934, Taylor Masonic Lodge 595 and the American Legion.

Mr. LaPorte retired from the Ford Motor Co. Rawsonville Plant.

Funeral services were at the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

BALLARD, Thelma

Thelma K. Ballard, 85, of Ypsilanti, formerly a 55-year resident of Romulus, died May 3.

Among her survivors are her son, Clarence R. Ballard of Romulus; daughters, Sharon (Roman) Gomez of Clawson, Joyce Lynch of Hillsboro, Ill., Janice (Bruce)Rooney of Rutland, Iowa and Betty Gabrys of Ypsilanti; half-sisters, Betty Yager of Jackson and Doris Martin of Lansing; 17 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Ballard was a member of the senior citizens in Romulus and cooked for the Romulus Rotary Club.

Funeral services were at Community United Methodist Church where Mrs. Ballard was a member, with the Rev. William Kren officiating.

Interment was at Romulus Cemetery in Romulus.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Crane Funeral Home in Romulus.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- BID '04/05-32 MUNICIPAL LIGHT POLE BANNERS
- BID '04/05-33 TWO (2) DIGITAL 35mm CAMERAS AND ACCESSORIES
- BID 04/05-34 WIDE FORMAT PRINT COPIER

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified vendors for the above item/s and/or service/s.

- Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit bids **must do so on forms provided by the City**. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from Lynn A. Conway, Purchasing Coordinator, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, by calling (734) 942-7564 or by emailing romuluspurchasing@icwww.net.
- Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the **City Clerk's Office**, no later than 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 24, 2005. At that time said bids would be publicly opened and read.

BID ENVELOPES MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH THE BID NUMBER AND NAME AND BE ADDRESSED TO:

CITY OF ROMULUS CLERK'S OFFICE
11111 Wayne Road,
Romulus, Michigan, 48174

- The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and proposals and to waive technicalities.

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CITY OF ROMULUS

Construction Management Services for the Proposed Romulus Recreation Center Project

The City of Romulus is requesting sealed proposals for Construction Management (CM) Services for the construction of a new recreation center and related site improvements on 16.5 acre site on the SW corner of Wayne and Northline Roads. The project consists of approximately 80,000 sf facility, 40,000 sf of which is an existing structure to be renovated. Building components include an aquatics complex, gymnasium, locker rooms, multi-purpose rooms, walking track, concession stand and offices. Site improvements include walking paths, outdoor ice rink, baseball fields, and a concession building.

A mandatory pre-proposal walk-thru has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, 2005, at 9:00 am at the site.

Eight copies of your quote are to be received no later than 2:00 pm, on May 25, 2005 by the Romulus City Clerk. The proposal must be enclosed in a sealed opaque envelope labeled: "Romulus Recreation Center - Construction Management Services".

Romulus reserves the right to reject any and all bids and proposals and to waive any irregularities to the bids and contract, in any manner deemed to be in the best interest of the city.

Questions may be directed to architect's office to John Wilkie (sr) or Dave Zanley at (734) 285-1924.

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7. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to fly all City Flags at half staff on Thursday, April 28, 2005 on the occasion of the death of Shirley Pecsénye, wife of Former Assistant Fire Chief Robert Pecsénye.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

05-156

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported Burcroff to authorize the Treasurer of the City of Romulus to disburse funds listed on Warrant 05-08 in the total amount of Seven Hundred, Twenty Six Thousand, Five Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and Eleven Cents (\$726,595.11).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Abstain - Crova.
Motion Carried.

12. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, City Clerk
City of Romulus

I, Linda R. Choate, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held April 25, 2005.

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1. Obituaries

CLAIBORNE, Bruce, 53, died March 16, 2005. Bruce was born to the late Joseph and Mildred Clairborne on June 28, 1952 in Inkster, MI. Bruce was the third of seven children, the oldest son. Bruce leaves to carry on his memory: one son, Kejuan Seltzer; one grandson, Tavon Seltzer; two brothers, Joseph (Susan) Claiborne of Detroit and Marshall (Tasha) Claiborne of Inkster; seven sisters Gloria (Abraham) Adams, Rosaline (Louie) Walton and Chevelle (Fred) Stagell of Inkster, Sheila (Preston) Welford of Commerce City, CO, Carla Claiborne of Denver, CO, Carmen (Orlando) Robinson of Romulus and Yolanda Willis of Belleville; a very special aunt, Helen Wilson; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, aunts, uncles and friends.

5. Personals

"Prayer to the Blessed Virgin (never known to fail). O most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of heaven, Blessed Mother of the son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the sea, help me and show me that you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to help me in my necessity (make your request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you. (Say 3 times). Holy Mary, I place this prayer in your hands. (3 times) Say this prayer (3) consecutive days and then publish it and it will be granted to you. Most Grateful PMS

ATTENTION: Former Stinson Aircraft Company employees and or family members. I am writing a book covering the 105, 10A, and 108 Stinson aircraft from 1938-1950, and seek input from former employees, family members or others with information. Contact John Swick at 719-346-7731, or by mail at: 175 Berry St. Burlington, CO 80807

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9. Lost & Found

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54. Rummage Sales

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First United Methodist Church in Wayne across from post office. Thursday May 19, 9-5, Friday May 20, 9-5, Saturday May 21, 9am-noon. Bag day is Saturday. \$2 a bag not in plus room. Bake sale, hot dogs and refreshments.
For Info Call 734-721-4801

55. Estate Sales

ESTATE SALE
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Furniture, clothing, home furnishings, small kitchen appliances and much more!
May 13, 14 & 15
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56. Garage Sales

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May 12, 13, 14 & 15
Canton Country Acres Sub Wide Garage Sale
South of Palmer, Just West of Lilley
May 18-21, 9am-5pm

GARAGE SALE 35330 Phyllis
Between Van Born and Annapolis
May 12, 13 & 14,
10am-4pm daily

59. Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION:
FORT KNOX STORAGE
Sun., May 22, 10:00am
39205 Ford Rd., Westland
www.fortknoxmi.com
(734) 981-0700

#046-Melvin Lumberg: fax machines, computer

#181-Raymond Stafirski: tool boxes, appliances, misc. boxes, totes

#194-Mary Merlo: books, TVs, totes, appliances, dresser

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MOVING AUCTION

7995 Marlowe St.
Belleville, MI 48111
(South of Ecorse Rd. between Belleville Rd. & I-275)

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2005
11:00 AM

Garage items: 1050 Bolens Tractors (2), New 8hp Troy Built Mulcher/Mower 33", floor jack, work benches, drill press, chainsaw, many assorted hand tools, ZERO-TURN CRAFTSMAN 15 1/2 HP 42" MOWER (sold subject to owner approval), steel commercial shelving, many box lots of electrical building items, much more.
Many Household items.

Owner: Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Zajac

Rollo A. Juckette
Auctioneer
Dundee, MI 48131
(734) 529-2388

Notice of Public Sale.
On Thursday, May 26, 2005 at 11:00 AM, at U-Store-It, 28266 Ecorse Road, Romulus, MI 48174 with reserve, will sell by the unit to the highest bid by CASH all rights, title and interest to the following property of:

Jerald Wayne Baggett-A33: Commercial video game, welding kit, TV, misc.

Ronald Robinson-A32: Bags, boxes, furniture, misc.

Timothy Lea-E59: Totes, boxes, furniture

Connie M. Madison-A15: Lawn mower, printer, furniture

CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On May 17, 2005 the Westland Police Department will conduct public auctions of impounded abandoned vehicles. The first auction will begin promptly at 10:00am at Westland Service Towing, 37501 Cherry Hill, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

1996 Honda Accord
4 Dr Silver
1HGCD565XTA283878
1992 Olds Cutlass
2 Dr Black
1G3WH14X9ND347407
1991 Ford Escort
2 Dr Black
1FAPP128XMW397535
1996 Ford Mustang
2 Dr Blue
1FALP4045TF186581
1996 Chevy Astrovan
Van Silver
1GNEL19W3TB103780
1986 Chevy C-10
PkTrk Blue
1GCD14N8GF356532
1985 Ford T-Bird
2 Dr Silver
1FABP4636FH131141
2000 Ford Crown Vic.
4 Dr Black
2FAFP74W4YX127379
1988 Mercury Topaz
4 Dr Burgundy
1MEBM36X1JK623229
1994 Pontiac Grand Am
2 Dr Black
1G2NW15MXRC778084
1990 Ford Ranger
PkTrk Gray
1FTCR10X9LUB40387
1988 Buick Skylark
2 Dr Black
1G4NJ14UXJM050173

The second auction will begin promptly at 10:30am at Bar Towing, 39025 Warren Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

1996 Olds Aurora
4 Dr Maroon
1G3GR62C8T4116591
1997 Nissan Maxima
4 Dr Gold
JN1CA21D8VT854847
1994 Olds Cutlass
Convertible Teal
1G3WT35M2RD379989

The third auction will begin promptly at 11:00am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

1990 Lincoln Mark VII
2 Dr Gray
1LNCM92E1LY789226
1992 Buick Skylark
4 Dr Blue
1G4NJ54N6NC614736
1981 Cadillac Eldorado
2 Dr White
1G6AL5796BE623726
1999 Ford Taurus
4 Dr Black
1FABP54N4XA285188
1996 Mazda 626
4 Dr Green
1YVGE22C3T5531603
1993 Mercury Cougar
2 Dr Gray
1MEPM6243PH607557
2004 Dodge Intrepid
4 Dr Gray
2B3HD46R74H625986
1992 Mercury Cougar
2 Dr White
1MEPM6045NH623081

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

30 DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION

Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle listed below will be auctioned after JUNE 11, 2005 unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time:

1989 Ford Tempo
4 Dr Red
1FABP36X8KK174468

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VEHICLE PUBLIC AUCTION
The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction, May 14, 2005, 2:00pm at:

J and M Towing
8964 Inkster Rd.
Romulus, MI 48174

1991 Ford T-Bird
1FARP6247MH138595
1988 Chevy 1500
1GCDK14K9TE195470
1991 Plymouth
Grand Voyager
1P4GH44R8MY642482

Please note: The bidding will start at the towing and storage charges

WESTLAND MINI STORAGE
1600 Newburgh Road
Westland, MI 48186
734-729-1710
Will be holding an auction on June 4, 2005 at 11:00am for the following units:
Unit #522-Owner: Jamie Zarzecki & Shawn Roche
Contents: Tools, household, bar-b-que, misc. boxes

Unit #209-Owner: Mark Kacher
Contents: Desk, household furniture, misc. boxes

Unit #131-Owner: Stephanie Wright
Contents: Bed, computer, misc. items

61. Misc. Items

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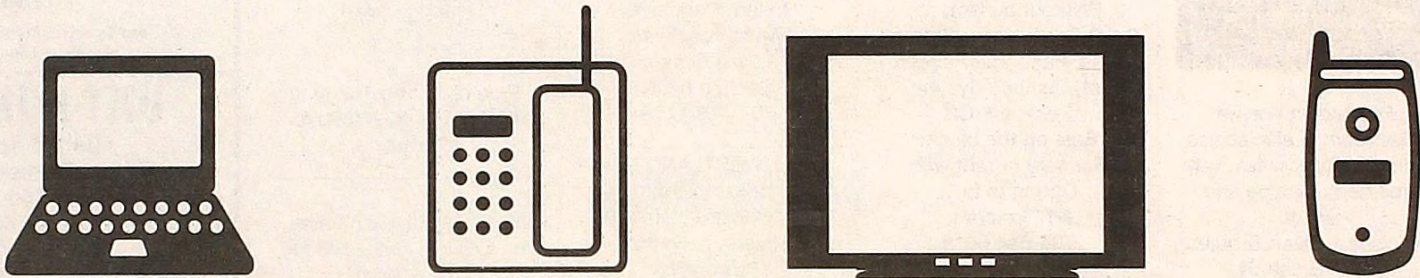
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